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Sale of imported rice in B'lore City

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(14) From, The Food Controller
No 3448 S/15-8-19

Submits his remarks on the petition of Transaction Traders re: the contract & sale of imported rice in the B'lore city

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Petition from Narasimmiah and others regarding the Contract and sale of imported rice in the Bangalore city

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Food Controller for favour of remarks.

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To

The Dewan of Mysore,

B A N G A L O R E.

Respected Sir,

We the consumers of rice in the City of Bangalore beg leave to approach you with the following grievances:-

1. Rice contract was given to the merchants of Madras side, who imported the rice and entrusted to one Mr. Siddabasappa, whose name was already in the bad books of the Food Controller and also debarred from getting any rice for sale. Fortunately for him one Appana Ramachendra Rao of Madras came to his rescue and this man gained his day in making profits and also to distrubute the bags among his own relatives who are also merchants of the same kind. The sample of rice now supplied to us at 5 seers per rupees is already sent to you by post. There it can be seen what kind it is and whether it is the same that was approved by the Government. We do not know why we poor people are so much neglected even in feeding us at our own cost and the blessings of Our Noble Highness - turned to be a curse on us. The kind of rice given to us m be in our own interests as well justice a surprise visit is earnestly solicited to the Godowns. The Godowns are nothing but hells of Bangalore CITY being filled with boiled rice and other nasty things. No doubt better rice is freely availabl for fortunate and better of personages. It is only our lot that is beyond imagination. The contractor of rice even though a stranger has been making our lot worse through his personality and influence. If an audit is ordered poor men statements will be really worth beleveing.

The only request of the poor is that the Governme

be pleased to select a man of the place who has got some self-respect and position to keep up as well as sympathy mostly towards the starving poor and the business entrusted to him.

We beg to remain,

Respected Sir,

Your most obedienr servants,

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Issued on the 2nd

Copy forwarded to with compliments the Food Controller for favour of remarks.

By Order, etc.

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List of papers forwarded.

Petn of Tirn Narasimhacharya & others regarding the Cultivation & sale unpaid rice in Bangalore city

IN REPLY REFER TO
No. 3448
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Tel: Address.
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DIARY NO. 3384

Office of the Food Controller and
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

Bangalore, Dated 16th August 1919.

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From

K. MATTHAN, Esq., B. A.,

Food Controller and Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your memo No.G.52/F.S. dated the 2nd July 1919, forwarding for my remarks a petition from Narasimhaiya and others, regarding the quality of delta rice imported into and sold in Bangalore, I have the honour to state that on a communication made to me on the same subject by the Chief Officer of the Bangalore City Municipality, I called upon Messrs. Appana Ramachandra Rao & Co., importers, for their explanation. I herewith submit their explanation in original for favour of reference and obliging return. It will be seen that they state that they got 135 bags of red rice referred to and sold 12 bags of the same, that it is not really inferior etc. I ordered the firm not to sell the remaining 123 bags.

2. When delta rice imported under control comes into Bangalore, the procedure is that samples are submitted to me by the importers. These samples would generally be of proper quality, but it often happens that all the bags received are not up to the sample. I understand that this is an ordinary incident of trade. When last I inspected the rice in the several depots of Messrs. Appana Ramachandra Rao & Co., I found that about 5% of the bags contained rice of reddish variety which might be regarded as inferior. The importers say that with the best of care on their part it is not possible to

to prevent such inferior varieties being included by the Suppliers.

3. For the July allotment of delta rice, the importers made a complaint to me that the persons who have been ordered by the Deputy Director of Civil Supplies, Bezwada, to supply them with rice, had supplied a very inferior kind of rice. On my transmitting the complaint to the Deputy Director of Civil Supplies, I have received a reply No. R.O.C.1398 of 19 dated the 21st July 1919, of which, I enclose a copy for the information of Government. It will be seen that in future superior grades of rice will not be available for export from the Kistna district and that we have to be content with low grades. At the same time as the rice actually got by the importers was of inferior quality, I directed that it should be sold at 4 annas less than their tendered rate or 5¼ seers a rupee (which it may be noted is cheaper than the selling price of Burma rice). About 3,598 bags of this kind of rice are reported to have arrived and it is apparently in respect of this consignment that there has latterly been some complaint of inferior quality of rice being imported. With a view to minimise complaints of this kind as far as possible, I have now arranged to keep all the imported rice under double locks (one key to be kept by the importers and themselves and the other by Probationer Mr. Ananataram). The daily issues will be made in the presence of the Probationer, who will inspect the contents of every bag when it is taken out of the godowns. If any bags are found to contain rice of inferior quality they will be kept aside for my inspection and orders.

4. I have consulted with the President of the Bangalore City Municipality and no better way of dealing with the matter has suggested itself to us.

5. The petition received with your memo under reply is herewith returned.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

KM/MPH.

Food Controller & Director.

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Copy of letter No.R.O.C.1398 of 19 dated 21st July, 1919, from the Deputy Director of Civil Supplies, Bezwada, to the Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore, Bangalore.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letters C.Nos.1317 & 1322, dated 15th and 17th July 1919, I may say that since June as a general rule little except low grades of rice is being tendered for export. The better qualities like Kusuma and Konamani are offerred in small lots and in very limited quantities. All importing areas must therefore, I fear, be content to take what they can get as unless the low grades are indented for the district of Kistna to stadd the strain of export now upon it is impossible being put upon it. In order to assist you as far as I possibly can, for the current month I have allotted Messrs. Appanna Ramachendra Rao & Co., their own tender, breaking my general rule, in the hope that they would supply themselves a better quality of rice but the samples sent by them are no better than the bulk of the low grade rice offerred generally for export.

As regards the particular complaint, I had the parties before me. The sample sent by you is certainly inferior to the sample which accompanied the tender. Your consignees should in future decline to take delivery of a consignment here if it is not up to sample. Once delivery is taken I can do nothing. All that the consignee has to do if he finds that he is offerred a commodity inferior to the sample tendered which he can always see in my office is to come and complain to me. I shall have the complaint enquired into. If the consignor is to blame I will deal suitably with him. If the consignee's complaint is frivolous I will not allow him again to have any delta rice. In any case I will settle or endeavour to settle any complaint made to me, before delivery is taken if the parties come at once to me. I have warned the Krishna Agriculturists' Association that they must keep to sample. If they fail to do so, the consignne

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consignee should complain at once to me and I will see into the matter. I hope this will settle any outstanding difficulties there may be.

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Food Controller & Director.

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To The Food Controller
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